

II. REMARKS

Claims 1-23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kenner in view of DeLorme.

On col.1, lines 49-57, Kenner discloses a software program known as a "Browser" that can be used to access and view Web pages across the Internet by specifying the location, e.g., the Internet address of the desired Web page. This location has nothing to do with the location or travel route of the mobile user as recited in claims 1 and 12.

In particular, on col. 1, lines 49-57, it is disclosed that the browser may not be able to handle data other than text and images, but a browser extension can be automatically invoked to handle the data as it is received from the remote Web page.

The retrieval of a video clip is disclosed on col. 16 with reference to Fig. 3: The user builds a data query from a text database, e.g., specifying a selected property criteria. The query is transmitted to the Primary Index Manager (PIM) via a local Storage and Retrieval Unit (SRU). The SRU attaches a regional identifier to the query and searches its own database to find the video clip. The query is transmitted to a number of remote IMs. The PIM uses the regional identifier to identify which remote IMs process the query, returning a list of available audio-visual references to the PIM. Thus, the regional identifier has nothing to do with the location or travelling route of the user. The PIM downloads a list of all available video clips to the user's terminal, wherein the user can select from the list individual records of groups of records for further viewing.

Copies of the video clips may be stored on a number of remote SRUs. The retrieved video clips are selected by the user, but not on the basis of the location or travel route of the user.

One aim of the invention of Kenner is to provide more efficient use of the storage and retrieval units. The object is to allow the system to utilize idle resources throughout the network by actively determining by the DSI which computing systems and communication paths to the user should be used for each download. Thus, if a particular extended SRU is busy supporting other users, the PIM may create a remote DSI on a remote system for user terminal. In other words, the system tries to use such resources which are not heavily loaded for downloading data to the user's terminal (i.e., distributing of the loading of the system to various parts of the network). See ,e.g., col. 12, lines 42-55.

There is nothing in Kenner which could imply that the user is a mobile user, i.e., using a mobile terminal. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the Examiner is also wrong in saying that Kenner teaches a method for transmission of information to a mobile user as recited in claims 1 and 12..

DeLorme discloses a computer aided map location system. It provides correlation and coordination of spatially related data between a computer and a set of printed maps. On a display of a user terminal a grid quadrangle can be shown which is correlated with a grid quadrangle of a printed map. On col. 15, lines 20-23, it is mentioned that additionally spatially related information can be queried from databases relevant to the selected grid quadrangle.

The location of the user can be shown on the display wherein the user can use the grid quadrangles of the map and the quadrangles shown on the display to locate him/herself on the paper map. The system makes it easier for the user to, e.g., select a travelling route because the location of the user on the map can be determined on the basis of information shown on the display. However, the system requires that the user is accompanied with a separate paper map or something similar. There is no indication that the user could define criteria for information retrieval and that the information search is conducted at least on the basis of the current location or the travel route of the user or on the basis of both the current location and the travel route of the user as recited in claims 1 and 12. DeLorme is silent on transmitting information of the current location or the travel route of the user to a server for information retrieval. In addition to that, DeLorme is silent on using the transmitted information in routing the query message to a server suitable for the information retrieval as recited in claims 1 and 12.

There is no indication, neither in Kenner, nor in DeLorme, that the information is conducted at least on the basis of the current location or the travel route of the user or on the basis of both the current location and the travel route of the user. Further, none of the cited references teach that the routing of the information query is performed by a server on the basis of the location or travel route of the user. Therefore, there is no motivation for combining Kenner and DeLorme to end up with the present invention.

Since the claims of the present application specifically recite a server and some routing too, these references need to clearly teach these features. So since DeLorme fails to teach a


server.... it would be obvious for a person skilled in the art that DeLorme also fails to teach a routing procedure. What is said about routers in Kenner (for example in col. 20) merely are basic internet backbone facts. The Examiner has said Kenner does not teach routing (p. 3 in the office action, line 3 onward), so this must be stated in DeLorme then. But how is it possible to teach routing if one does not have one single server?

Furthermore, at the time of the invention a person skilled in the art would not have turned to a movie download system reference such as Kenner. Searching for a video is not equal to searching for information. Kenner is not examining the video data information, as in col. 16, l. 34, Kenner says "The PIM subsequently downloads a list of all available video clips...". Thus it is unclear what is actually searched for in Kenner and what kind of a feedback is provided back to the user terminal.

For all of the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now present in the application are clearly novel and patentable over the prior art of record, and are in proper form for allowance. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested. Should any unresolved issues remain, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

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